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## VEHICLE FORFEITURE ORDINANCE ILLEGAL DRAG RACERS--LOSE YOUR WHEELS!

CITY ATTORNEY TO PROPOSE NEW ORDINANCE

WHAT: San Diego City Attorney Casey Gwinn will present the proposed "Vehicle Forfeiture Ordinance" at the City of San Diego's Natural Resources and Culture Committee which is chaired by Council member Jim Madaffer. The proposed local law would authorize law enforcement officials to forfeit the vehicles used in illegal speed contests or exhibitions of speed if the driver is the registered owner of the vehicle at the time of the offense and has a prior conviction for various, specified driving offenses. The same would apply if the registered owner is a passenger in the vehicle at the time of the offense. If approved by the Committee the proposed ordinance will be sent to the San Diego City Council for adoption.

WHEN: Wednesday, February 19, 9 a.m.

**WHERE:** San Diego City Council Committee Room, 12th Floor

202 C Street, downtown, San Diego

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